Application No. 10/657,457

REMARKS

The present supplemental amendment is in response to the Examiner's telephone interview with Applicant's representative on September 19, 2006 in which the Examiner indicated that the restricted method claims may be added back into the application (pending approval at the USPTO) with amendments to correspond to the allowable claims.

In response, Applicant adds a single new method claim 26 based upon the apparatus claims of independent claims 1 and 2. The addition of the single independent claim 26 brings the claim count to twenty (20) with three (3) independent claims such that no additional fees are due.

Applicant requests that the Examiner telephone the attorney for Applicant at the telephone number listed below should the Examiner believe that prosecution of this application might be expedited by further discussion of the issues.

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Respectfully Submitted.

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